



NFL Draft 2021 Scouting Report: TE Bernhard Seikovits, Austria (NFL Int'l Program)

**Our TE grades can and will change as more information comes in from Pro Day workouts, leaked Wonderlic test results, etc. We will update ratings as new info becomes available.*

***Our TE formulas had some slight changes in the offseason—an adjustment to better identify and value TE prospects that are smaller physically and are primed for the era ahead...the era of Jordan Reed and Delanie Walker-type TEs. Our historical grades will have changed some on various prospects as well, to show their grades by comparison.*

***RC Intro:** I am having scout Ross Jacobs do some 2021 post-NFL Draft scouting crosschecks and research on players of interest for Dynasty/Fantasy...to make sure we are looking under every rock for Fantasy opportunity and to have record/reports on off-the-radar types of prospects whose names could/will be popping up the next year or two.*

On this 'Quick Hit' report I asked Ross to tell us all about a tight end prospect out of Austria/the NFL's International Program (now signed with the Cardinals).

-- by Ross Jacobs

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Seikovits was added to the Arizona Cardinals roster on May 4th and since he's an international player and completely unknown in the US and is listed at 6'5" 262 lbs we just had to dive in and see what he brings to the table.

Background:

--Comes from Vienna, Austria and played with the same club for 13 years, the Vienna Vikings

--Started playing flag football at 9 years old and moved to contact football a year later. At 16 was selected to play for the Under-19 National team as a quarterback and won two European titles.



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--After moving up to the men's National team an American QB was brought in and Seikovits switched positions to WR. Led the team in receiving in 2019.

--After failing to make the final cut in the NFL's International Pathway Program in 2020 he knew he had to add weight and fully transition to TE. He quickly added 30 lbs while still maintaining his speed and was allocated to the Cardinals.

Tape and Random Notes:

--There is very little video of Seikovits available online, but the tape is completely useless for trying to project him to the NFL. The European league is miles behind America and the games look like high school or Division III games. Seikovits is clearly the biggest, fastest guy on the field, but how that translates is impossible to tell.

--Was tested along with 10 other IPP participants, including Washington's **Sammis Reyes** (another TE that RC has spoken about before), at Florida's pro day on March 31st, but I can find no record of what his numbers might have been. In one article I found he did seem to indicate that his testing numbers weren't very good. I tried timing him in the shuttle from a training video and got about a 4.45-4.5 or so which is ok but not great. My best guess is he probably belongs in the NFL athletically, but he likely isn't special enough to really make an impact.

--Just using an eyeball test Reyes is easily more physically impressive. Both players are about the same height but Reyes is much more thickly muscled and stronger looking.

--Listed at 262 lbs but I highly doubt that's accurate. Looks closer to 250 although he carries it well. Could probably add 5-10 more pounds of muscle.

--Looks raw and awkward in his training videos from a technical standpoint, but also looks like he moves well and can bend. It's possible he can improve enough in his technique to make it long term.

Further Reading:

<https://www.americanfootballinternational.com/bernhard-seikovits-proud-to-represent-austria-and-europe-in-nfl-international-pathway-program/>

<https://www.americanfootballinternational.com/bernhard-seikovits-another-chance-at-his-nfl-dream/>

https://www.reddit.com/r/AustrianSports/comments/dntgp8/bernhard_seikovits_nfl_combine/

